

March 21, 2017

## **BY ELECTRONIC FILING**

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12<sup>th</sup> St, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

## **Re:** NOTICE OF EX PARTE

**WT Docket No. 16-421;** Streamlining Deployment of Small Cell Infrastructure By Improving Wireless Facilities Siting Policies; Mobilitie, LLC Petition for Declaratory Ruling.

## Ms. Dortch:

On March 17, 2017, Tim Donovan, Senior Vice President of Legislative Affairs; Liz Barket, Law & Regulatory Counsel, and I, representing Competitive Carriers Association ("CCA"), met with Lyle Ishida, Acting Chief of the Office of Native Affairs and Policy ("ONAP"); Sayuri Rajapakse, Senior Legal Advisor, ONAP; Daniel J. Margolis, Legal Advisor, ONAP; Janet Sievert, Legal Advisor, ONAP; Charles Eberle, Legal Advisor, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau ("WTB"); and via teleconference Jill Springer, Deputy Federal Preservation Officer, Competition & Infrastructure Policy Division ("CIPD"), WTB; and Aaron Goldschmidt, Associate Chief, CIPD, WTB.

During the meeting, CCA discussed its members' interest in reducing costs and delays presented by the Section 106 review process under the National Historic Preservation Act. As stated in our recent comments<sup>2</sup> addressing state and local siting requirements, CCA encouraged the Commission to streamline Section 106 review.<sup>3</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> CCA is the nation's leading association for competitive wireless providers and stakeholders across the United States. CCA's membership includes nearly 100 competitive wireless providers ranging from small, rural carriers serving fewer than 5,000 customers to regional and national providers serving millions of customers. CCA also represents approximately 200 associate members including vendors and suppliers that provide products and services throughout the mobile communications supply chain.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Comment Sought on Streamlining Deployment of Small Cell Infrastructure by Improving Wireless Facilities Siting Policies; Mobilitie, LLC Petition for Declaratory Ruling, Public Notice, DA 16-1427, WT Docket No. 16-421 (rel. Dec. 22, 2016).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Comments of Competitive Carriers Association, WT Docket No. 16-421, 35-43 (filed Mar. 8, 2017).

This *ex parte* notification is being filed electronically with your office pursuant to Section 1.1206 of the Commission's Rules. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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